

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 18-27 are allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

In independent claims 18 and 23 are the prior art does not disclose:

“wherein the vehicle yawing motion control section initiates the vehicle yawing motion control when all following conditions occur:

- (1) when the host vehicle is traveling on predetermined road surface irregularities;
- (2) while the lane marking detection section cannot recognize or detect the lane marking line; and
- (3) an absolute value of the future lateral displacement, immediately before the lane marking detection section cannot recognize or detect the lane marking line, is greater than or equal to a predetermined lateral displacement criterion”.

This statement is not intended to necessarily state all the reasons for allowance or all the details why the claims are allowed and has not been written to specifically or impliedly state that all the reasons for allowance are set forth (MPEP 1302.14).

The dependent claims are allowed for depending on an allowed base claim.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled “Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.”

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Communication

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to RONNIE MANCHO whose telephone number is (571)272-6984. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs: 9-5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tran Khoi can be reached on 571-272-6919. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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